REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are currently amended.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Each claim amendment is supported by each claim, as originally filed, and the specification.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1-12 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the claim amendments.

An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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